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A commentator on the computer technology scene, Dave Coursey of <http://www.zdnet.com/anchordesk>, suggested that in the Microsoft settlement that has been proposed Microsoft should pay a multi-billion dollar fine as part of the settlement.

The condition for approval of the settlement is that it is in the best interests of the public of America. In the private antitrust case before Judge Motz in Baltimore the proposed settlement would have resulted in an estimated \$1 billion for poor schools -- which was totally unrelated to the alleged wrongs complained against Microsoft, but was presented as in the public interest.

The most pressing need facing America is this century is sustainable energy to replace the oil supplies of America and the world, which are dwindling, and could be substantially depleted if other sources are not used instead. America needs oil for self-defense -- planes, tanks and ships travel on fuels derived from oil. As we know too well after the September 11, 2001, attacks, the need of continuing self-defense of America is great. World oil resources are much greater than America's oil, (and I include gas always when I say oil) resources.

If Microsoft is made to pay billions, as Dave Coursey of ZDnet's Anchor Desk suggests, the billions should go to research in sustainable energy, particularly, that using the principles discovered by Einstein, and for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize, including solar cells using the photo-electric effects, fusion energy, and improvements in fission energy. This will be in the best interest of America.

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